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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In Re Application of:

BILLING-MEDEL, et al.

Serial No.: 09/049,695

Art Unit: 1642

Filing Date: March 27, 1998

Examiner: L. Sun-Hoffman

Title: REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES
OF THE GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested in order to respond to the Office Action mailed August 27, 1999.

- ___ One month to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$55 ___ \$110
- X Two months to January 27, 2000. The extension fee is
___ \$190 X \$380
- ___ Three months to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$435 ___ \$870
- ___ Four months to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$680 ___ \$1,360
- ___ Five months to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$925 ___ \$1,850
- ___ A (one) (two) month Petition for Extension of Time was
previously filed with the appropriate fee on _____.

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___ The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory
Action dated _____.

X A check to cover the \$ 380 extension fee is attached.

___ Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37
C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any
overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Jan 27, 2000

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